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SUBJ: SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL'S REQUEST FOR INCLUSION IN UNESCO

EUROPEAN REGION

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1. GOI WILL SUPPORT US POSITION ON ISRAEL AS MEMBER OF EUROPEAN REGION IN UNESCO. SIMILAR TO USG INFORMATION, ITALIAN MFA HAS "INDICATIONS" THAT SOME MEMBERS OF EUROPEAN REGION WHO FAILED TO SUPPORT ISRAEL IN 1974 WILL BE LESS RIGID THIS YEAR. SPECIFICALLY, FRANCE HAS SHOWN SIGNS OF RETHINKING THE PROBLEM.

2. THIS ITEM WILL BE AMONG THOSE DISCUSSED ON OCTOBER 6 DURING MEETING OF EC'S UN EXPERTS GROUP, WHICH WILL CONSIDER ALL POLITICAL ASPECTS OF UNESCO AGENDA. OUR MFA CONTACT, PUCCI (UN AFFAIRS), BELIEVES THERE IS A GOOD CHANCE NINE WILL STAY UNITED ON THIS ONE.

3. PUCCI SAID BELGIUM HAS FLOATED IDEA THAT A CERTAIN PRIOR RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (DURING ITS 98TH SESSION?) IS SUBJECT TO INTERPRETATION IN SUCH A WAY AS TO ALLOW STATES (E.G. SOME OF THE ARABS) WHICH CANNOT PUBLICLY SUPPORT ISRAEL BUT WHICH ARE MODERATE ON THIS SPECIFIC QUESTION, TO VOICE THEIR VIEWS IN THE GENERAL CONFERENCE ON THE COMPOSITION OF REGIONAL GROUPINGS WITHOUT, IN THE PROCESS, EITHER ENDORSING OR VETOING REGIONAL DECISIONS. HOW THIS WOULD WORK IS NOT CLEAR TO US BUT THE SUBJECT WILL APPARENTLY BE FURTHER EXPLORED BY THE EC EXPERTS ON OCTOBER 6.

4. PUCCI ADDED THAT, IN REACHING ITS POSITIVE DECISION IN 1974, ITALY TOOK INTO ACCOUNT THAT BY RIGHTS ISRAEL SHOULD BE IN A MID-EAST GROUPING. SINCE NONE EXISTS, HOWEVER, ITALY "ACCEPTS THE CONSEQUENCES

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OF ITS PRINCIPLED POLICY THAT EVERY STATE HAS A RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE SOMEWHERE IN THE UNESCO REGIONAL FRAMEWORK, AND WILL ADHERE TO THAT PRINCIPLE THIS YEAR. PUCCI SEEMED INTERESTED IN THE POSSIBILITY OF SOME ITALIAN MISSIONARY WORK AMONG THE EUROPEAN STATES THAT ABSTAINED OR WERE ABSENT ON THE LAST VOTE, BUT MADE NO COMMITMENTS.

5. RE REF. B, PUCCI VOLUNTEERED THAT THE GOI HAS DISCUSSED THE PROBLEM WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF SAN MARINO, AND BELIEVES
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SAN MARINO WILL EMULATE THE ITALIAN POSTURE. VOLPE

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